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REMARKS

Claims 1 - 23 are pending. Claims 1 and 3 - 13 are Currently amended. Claim 2 is Canceled. Claims 14 - 23 are New.

Drawings

References to the drawing have been changed from "FIG. 1" to "the figure" as suggested by the Examiner.

35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejection

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1, 6, and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Arney (3757748). Additionally, Claims 2-5, 7, 8, 10-13 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in Independent form including all the limitations of the base claim.

Applicant has amended Independent Claim 1 to include all the limitations of dependent Claim 2 and canceled Claim 2. Claims 3-13 are dependent from Claim 1.

The amendments to Claims 1 and 3-13 remove Arney as Prior Art. Applicant believes Claims 1 and 3-13 are allowable and respectfully asks the Examiner to allow these claims.

New Claims 14 - 20

Independent Claim 14 combines the limitations of Original Claim 1 and Original Claim 4. Claim 14 and its dependent Claims 15-20 contain limitations that remove Arney as Prior Art. Applicant believes Claims 14-20 are allowable and respectfully asks the Examiner to allow these claims.

New Claims 21 - 23

Independent Claim 21 combines the limitations of Original Claim 1 and Original Claim 7. Claim 21 and its dependent Claims 22 and 23 contain limitations that remove Arney as Prior Art. Applicant believes Claims 14-20 are allowable and respectfully asks the Examiner to allow these claims.

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CONCLUSION

The claims have been amended to claim more precisely the disclosed invention. No new matter has been added by the amendments to the claims.

Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the outstanding Office Action. Accordingly, amendments to the claims, the reasons therefore, and arguments in support of the patentability of the pending claim set are presented above. In light of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections is specifically requested and it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns which might prevent the prompt allowance of the application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number appearing below.

This Response to a Non-Final Rejection is filed within 3 months of the mailing of the Office Action and no extension fees are believed due. Payment is made for 2 extra dependent claims. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to credit card information on record.

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